

OTIS TETRAX.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum subconvexum.

Nares ovatae, perviae.

Lingua bifida.

Pedes cursorii, tridactyli, alti, supra femora
nudi.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 722.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

OTIS rufescens, fusco variata, collo (maris)
nigro torque albo.

OTIS capite juguloque laevi.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 264.

È rarissimis est avium Britannicarum Otis Tetrax. Pulchrum tamen specimen non ita pridem scloppetto in Anglia confectum communicavit Dominus Thompsonus, avium, quas jactat Muscum Britannicum et Leverianum, exsiccatore ingeniosus. Magnitudo est quasi Fulicae Porphyriois Linnæi.



THE
LITTLE BUSTARD.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill subconvex.

Nostrils ovate, pervious.

Tongue bifid.

Feet tridactyle, cursorial.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

RUFESCENT BUSTARD, with the neck (of
the male) black with a white collar.

LITTLE BUSTARD.

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Petite Outarde, ou Canne-petiere.

Buff. ois. 2. p. 40.

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The Otis Tetrax, or Little Bustard, may be numbered among the rarest of the British birds. The elegant specimen represented on the present plate, and which was lately shot in our own country, was communicated by Mr. Thompson, preparer of birds, &c. to the British and Leverian Museums.